# Dartmouth College Bionet Training Schedule - Novice

### August 7, 1986

9:00-10:15	Introduction - Overview of Bionet System:  Login, System Commands,  Mail, File structure, Databases
10:00-10:30	Break
	Overview of Programs:
10:30-10:45	GENED - Sequence Data Entry and Editing GEL - Sequencing Gel Management Program
10:45-11:15	SEQ - DNA Sequence Analysis Program PEP - Protein Sequence Analysis Program
11:15-11:35	SIZER/MAP - Restriction Enzyme Fragment Sizing and Mapping CLONER - Recombinant DNA Simulation System
11:35-12:00	QUEST - Database Similarity Searching IFIND - Database Similarity Searching

### Novice Training Continued

12:00-1:00 Lunch

### Hands on session:

1:00-2:15 GENED and GEL Programs

2:15-3:15 SEQ and PEP Programs

3:15-3:30 Break

3:30-4:15 SIZER and MAP Programs

4:15-5:00 QUEST and IFIND Programs

### Dartmouth College

### BIONET Training Schedule - Advanced

### August 8, 1986

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9:00-10:30	GEL - Searching and elimating vector sequences; Semi-automatic vs. automatic merging
10:30-10:45	Break
10:45-12:00	CLONER - Simulation of the construction of pUC9
12:00-1:00	Lunch
Hands on session:	
1:00-2:30	PEP - Comparison of the Search and Align algorithms for protein sequence homology searching; setting chemical similarity matching for homology searches
2:30-3:15	QUEST - Searching using complex keys
3:15-3:30	Break
3:30-5:00	IFIND - Similarity searching between a trans-

lated portion of DNA and a QUEST

retrieved portion of the NBRF database

# Stanford University Bionet Training Schedule

### August 27, 1986

The morning session will be geared to the novice user:

9:00-10:15	Introduction Overview of Bionet System: Logging on, System Commands, Mail, BBoards
10:15-10:30	Break
10:30-12:00	Directories, File Structure and Location; Xsearch and Find
12:00-1:00	Lunch
1:00-2:15	GENED - Sequence entry and use of ESEQ editor
2:15-3:30	SEQ - Restriction enzymes site searching
3:30-3:45	Break
3:45-5:00	PEP - Designing probes with PEP; Hybrid protein construction and hydropathicity analysis

### Stanford University

### BIONET Training Schedule cont'd

### August 28, 1986

9:00-10:30	Sequence Alignment Algorithms
10:30-10:45	Break
10:45-12:00	Database Searches (QUEST/IFIND)
12:00-1:00	Lunch
1:00-2:30	GEL - Sequencing Gel Management Program
2:30-3:45	SIZER/MAP - Restriction Enzyme Fragment Sizing and Mapping
3:45-4:00	Break
4:00-5:00	CLONER - DNA Cloning Simulation

### Stanford University

### Bionet Training Schedule - cont'd

### August 29, 1986

9:00-12:00	Advanced Topics Including: QUEST Searching using complex keys IFIND similarity searching using a QUEST retrieved portion of a database.
12:00-1:00	Lunch
1:00-3:00	Editors, Batch Jobs
3:00-5:00	File transfer; up and downloading of files and programs between PC's and Bionet

### VIII. BIONET APPLICATION

### **BIONET**

#### Dear Researcher:

You are invited to apply for access to the BIONET <sup>tm</sup> National Computer Resource for molecular biology. Enclosed are a description of BIONET, an application form, and order form for BIONET documentation.

The BIONET Resource is a central computer facility serving the computational needs, for both research and communication, of the molecular biology community. The Resource is funded by a five year, cooperative agreement with the Biomedical Research Technology Program, Division of Research Resources, National Institutes of Health. IntelliGenetics<sup>tm</sup>, Inc. of Mountain View, California will provide the computer facilities, core software, and support. Responsibility for overseeing the Resource rests with a National Advisory Committee (NAC), comprised of Drs. Joshua Lederberg (Chair, Rockefeller), Saul Amarel (Rutgers), Fotis Kafatos (Harvard), Allan Maxam (Harvard Medical School), Thomas Rindfleisch (Stanford), Richard Roberts (Cold Spring Harbor), and Charles Yanofsky (Stanford).

### The BIONET Resource has three goals:

- To provide computational assistance in data analysis and problem solving for molecular biologists and researchers in related fields.
- To serve as a focus for development and sharing of new software tools.
- To promote collaboration and rapid sharing of information among a national community of scientists.

Please read the enclosed User Agreement closely. By signing it, you will be agreeing to adhere to both the letter and the spirit of the guidelines described.

Each principal investigator must complete an application to be eligible to use the BIONET Resource. Access cannot be passed on from one principal investigator to another. Each scientist who qualifies for and currently has his or her own source of funding is considered a principal investigator.

Please type the information on your application form for legibility and accurate processing. Processing time will take approximately four weeks after receipt of your application.

If you are applying from a commercial or foreign organization, be sure that your application contains sufficient supporting material to allow the National Advisory Committee to make its judgements.

If your application is approved, we will send you a welcome notification, the "Introduction to BIONET" documentation, and instructions for logging on the BIONET

computer via the UNINET telecommunications network. We will also provide initial online training at your convenience.

Communications is a critical component of the BIONET Resource. On approval of your application, we will send you information on using Electronic Mail, Electronic Bulletin Boards, and File Transfer programs. These features will allow you to exchange information and ideas instantly with the BIONET staff and other users.

An annual fee of \$400 is currently being charged to all U.S. users. This fee, which covers a portion of our telecommunication charges for Uninet access, is your total cost for the BIONET Resource. Aside from the manuals, there are no other charges for this service.

Foreign investigators, including Canadians, on the BIONET system will be responsible for supporting their own network communications.

Sincerely,

Mary Lou Warne

Administrator

BIONET

### APPLICATION CHECKLIST

	Provided user information (page 1)
	Completed INTENDED USE OF BIONET and current grant support statement (page 3)
	Marked DRR Scientific Classifications (page 4)
	BIONET User agreement read and signed by Principal Investigator and responsible grant administrative officer (page 6)
	Filled out documentation order form (if desired)
	Copy made for your records.
Ma	il the completed application to:
	BIONET Application
	IntelliGenetics, Inc.
	1975 El Camino Real West
	Mountain View, CA 94040

Incomplete applications cannot be processed and will be returned. Please send all inquiries about this application to the above address. Include your name, phone number and application date in all correspondence.

Applications are processed once a month. The cut-off date is the 20th. Applications received on or after that date will be processed the following month.

### Application Form for the BIONET<sup>tm</sup> Resource

See reverse for description	and eligibility of u	ser classifications		
Date of Application:				
Principal Investigator (full	name and title):			
Affiliation: Department, Sc	hool and Institution	:		
Mailing Address (Include a	Street Address for p	parcels shipped UPS):		
Area code and phone numb	per:			
Applying for Class I, II, III	or IV Use?:	(See Reverse for m	ore information)	
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### Criteria for Eligibility

The four classes of user status are described below. Most users will be Class I users or IV users. Please call or write if you would like to be considered for Class II or III status.

CLASS I: Researchers from academic and non-profit institutions who can demonstrate that they are supported by governmental, philanthropic, or unrestricted institution funds and that their research can be assisted by the resource facilities. Exceptions will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

These users will have access to the programs in the Core, Database, and Contributed Libraries, and to the electronic mail and bulletin board facilities.

An annual fee of \$400 is charged for this access. PI's in foreign countries, including Canada, will not pay the subscription fee but must pay their own telecommunication costs.

CLASS II: Scientists who wish to participate in developing the BIONET Resource by providing new programs to the community. Acceptance as a Class II user is determined in part by the relevance of their programs. These programs should help achieve the goals described in the cover letter.

Class II user must meet the same eligibility requirements as the Class I users. However, they will also receive support from the BIONET staff in developing and making their contributed software accessible to the Bionet community. The Class II user will not be required to pay the subscription fee.

Please include a description, in detail, of what you intend to contribute, what support you will need from the resource and how the work will benefit the BIONET community. Also include a list of current publications in the area of intended use (for the past two years only).

CLASS III: People responsible for Department, School or Campus-wide computer facilities who wish to provide information about or access to BIONET to the community they serve. These users must provide evidence of their position and responsibilities for providing computer facilities for a local community of scientists with access to BIONET.

CLASS IV: Scientists who wish to take advantage of only the electronic communications facilities - electronic mail, bulletin boards, and file transfer programs - will be given restricted access for an annual fee of \$100. These users must meet the eligibility requirements of the Class I user.

### BIONET SATELLITE PROGRAM

In addition to the above classes, BIONET, in cooperation with IntelliGenetics, is now able to offer an on-site BIONET package. Utilizing existing Digital Equipment VAX or 2060 computers, or SUN Microsystems, all of the programs, bulletin boards and electronic mail functions would be accessible at your location. Your local scientific community would benefit by having a direct and more powerful access to the resource. Accessing this service requires the purchase of a software license from IntelliGenetics. A special purchase program has been arranged to make it easy for academic institutions to join the BIONET Satellite program. If you are interested, please contact us directly or mark the appropriate response on the reverse.

Intended use of BIONET. Include a Research Title of 80 characters or less, and a Research Abstract with a minimum of 3 lines and a maximum of 350 characters. Class II and III applicants, in addition, should include additional information described in the Criteria for Eligibility on page 2. You may attach a separate sheet if you prefer.

Current grant support in area of intended use. Include each federal grant by Principal Investigator, title, funding institution, grant number and duration of support and a brief (three to ten line) abstract of the research. If funding is from institutional or other unrestricted funds, provide information on sources of funding sufficient for the NAC to determine if conditions for access have been met. If this funding is scheduled to end within 12 months, state whether a renewal of the same grant/funding is pending.

### Appendix to Instructions - DRR Scientific Classification

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	AXIS I		AXIS II
Code		Code	Research Areas
Nos	. (Maximum 4 Codes)	Nos .	. (Maximum 4 Codes)
1	Animals:	30	Aging
_	a. Vertebrates, Mammal		Anesthesiology
	b. Vertebrates, Non-Mammal		Anthropology/Ethnography
	c. Invertebrates	1	Behavioral Sci/Psychology/Social Sci
2	Biological/Chemical Compounds		Bioethics
	Biomaterials	1	Communication Science
	Cells & Subcellular Material		Computer Science
	Human Subjects	44	Congenital Defects or Malformations
	Membrane/Tissue/Isolated Organ	1	Degenerative Disorders
	Microoganisms:		Device Prothesis Intra/Extracorporea
•	a. Bacteria		Drug Studies:
	b. Virus	100	a. Toxic c. Orphan Drugs
	c. Parasites	ł	b. Other
	d. Other	52	Engineering/Bioengineering
8	Plants/Fungus	•	Environmental Sciences:
	Technology/Technique Development	54	a. Toxic
	Other (SPECIFY)	1 54	b. Other
	Clinical Trials:	58	Epidemiology
	a. Multicenter b. Single Center	58	Genetics, Including Metabolic Errors
	The state of the s	60	Growth and Development
ANA.	TOMICAL SYSTEM/RESEARCH AREAS	1	Health Care Applications
,		64	Immunology and Allergy
13	Cardiovascular System	66	Infectious Diseases
	Connective Tissue	68	Information Science
15	Endocrine System	70	Instrument Development
	Gastrointestinal System:		Mental Disorders/Psychiatry
	a. Esophagus		Metabolism and Transport:
	b. Gallbladder	1	a. Carbohydrate
	c. Intestine	1	b. Electrolyte & Water Balance
	d. Liver	1	c. Enzymes
	e. Pancreas	1	d. Gases
17	Hematological System	1	e. Hormone
18	Integumentary System	l	f. Lipid
19		1	g. Nucleic Acid
	Endothelial System	1	h. Protein & Amino Acid
20	Muscular System	76	Neoplasms/Oncology:
21	Nervous System		a. Benign
22	Oral/Dental	l	b. Malignant
23	Reproductive System	78	Nutrition
24		ł	Radiology/Radiation Nuclear Medicine:
25	Sensory System:	ì	a. Ionizing (Xray, Nuclear Reactor)
	a. Ear	ļ	b. Non-ionizing (Microwave, Radar)
	b. Eye	82	Rehabilitation
*	c. Taste/Smell/Touch	1	Statistics/Mathematics
26	Skeletal System	ł	Surgery
27	Urinary System	88	Transplantation
	Other (SPECIFY)	90	Trouma

92 Other (SPECIFY)

90 Trauma

28 Other (SPECIFY)

### BIONET<sup>tm</sup> User Agreement

- The BIONET resource will not be used for any commercial purpose which is not specifically identified to and approved by BIONET's National Advisory Committee (NAC). Any pertinent change in sponsorship, continuity of grant support, or use made of BIONET will be reported promptly to the BIONET Resource Manager.
- The NAC will approve all access and will make the final judgment on applications that are questionable in nature, scope, or funding of research.
- Standard DEC-2060 facilities for file protection will be available to protect the integrity of your data and programs.
- Ownership of data and software developed on or contributed to the Resource will be subject to the guidelines of the Principal Investigator's institution and granting agency, to which all questions on legal issues should be directed. The BIONET Resource will retain a non-exclusive, royalty-free right to use, by approved BIONET investigators, of the data and executable versions of the software on BIONET.
- All investigators granted BIONET access must provide brief annual summaries of research results. The summaries must be included in our annual report of Resource activities to the NIH. Investigators will have sufficient advance notice to prepare the summaries.
- All publications that involve use of the Resource must acknowledge the Resource by name and NIH grant number (e.g.: Computer resources used to carry out our studies were provided by the BIONET<sup>tm</sup> National Computer Resource for Molecular Biology, whose funding is provided by the Biomedical Research Technology Program, Division of Research Resources, National Institutes of Health, Grant #1 U41 RR-01685.) Investigators must send three (3) copies of these publications to the Resource Manager.
- Access to BIONET will be granted to a Principal Investigator and designated members of his
  or her research group. Each group will be allocated a fixed amount of disk storage space
  distributed by the PI and designated associates. Class II users will be granted larger amounts
  of disk space.
- We request that each PI limit access of his or her group to one login to BIONET at a time.

  Use of the Resource will be carefully monitored by the staff and the NAC.
- The BIONET Resource provides only a computer facility and associated services. It does not provide research equipment. The Resource has a small fund for fostering collaborations and will use this fund, when no other means are available, to support an effort that will advance the goals of the Resource.

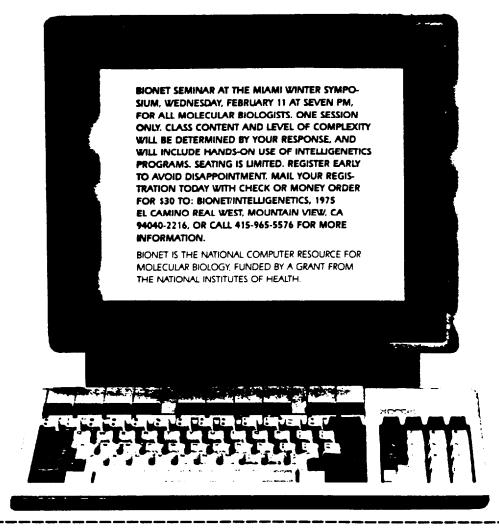
I assume full responsibility for all users listed on this application form and will monitor their compliance to the conditions and restrictions for access to the BIONET Resource. I will inform the BIONET Consultant, (electronic mail address BIONET), by electronic mail, immediately about any changes in this group of users, i.e., departure of an existing user or addition of new staff qualified to use the Resource. I will inform new users of the above mentioned conditions and restrictions.

As Principal Investigator of this grant to use the BIONET Resource, I agree, by signing this application, to adhere to all conditions and restrictions for use of the BIONET Resource, as described above and such further regulations as may be issued from time to time by the NIH or the NAC.

Signature of Principal Investigator:	
Date:	
I have also furnished a copy of this application to the responsible grant administrative officer of institution, whose name and signature are given below:	m
Name of official:	
Signature:	

### IX. ADVERTISMENT FOR BIONET TRAINING SESSION

### If you are a MOLECULAR BIOLOGIST you may be eligible to join BIONET...

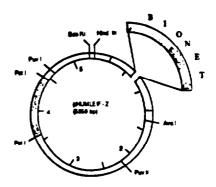


Clip or copy, and mail with check or money order for \$30 to. BIONET/IntelliGenetics, 1975 El Camino Real West, Mountain View, CA 94040-2216

investigator		Please check topics of interest to you		
Institution			Managing large DNA sequencing projects	
Address			Restriction mapping tools	
City	State Zlp	L	Simulation and design of recombinant DNA experiments	
	_		DNA or protein sequence database organization & search methods	
□ New user	□ Advanced user		DNA or protein sequence analysis	
☐ I am interested in hosting a	session at my institution		Sequence comparison methods	

### X. RENEWAL NEWSLETTER

DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE MISSING?



# SECOND YEAR OF BIONET IS GREAT SUCCESS!!!

ITS TIME TO RENEW YOUR SUBSCRIPTION NOW!

BIONET has entered its third year stronger than ever. In keeping with its projected schedule, the BIONET staff has:

- added more databases
- brought in contributed software
- expanded the Bulletin Boards
- upgraded existing programs
- doubled the number of talecommunication ports
- established a training program

and more . . . WITHOUT INCREASING THE BUBSCRIPTION FEE.

We are excited about the growth and changes in BIONET and hope you are too. For more information on any of the above enhancements to the Resource, please give us a call... or better yet, ing-is and check it out yourself!

## ANNOUNCING ... INTELLIGENETICS BECOMES IOINT VENTURE Equipped with

The Amoco Corporation of Chicago has purchased a controlling interest in InselliGenetics from IntelliCorp, Inc., of Mountain View, making InselliGenetics a venture jointly owned by the two companies.

IntelliGenetics will continue to market its current line of molecular biology programs and will maintain its readitional emphasis on eastoner support.

This relationship with Amoco will provide intelliGenetics with greater resources for the development of new software. There are plans to add several new programs to the software that runs on the SUN workstation, the VAX minicomputer, the microVAX III, and the timesharing system.

The most sophisticated new software will be Strategone, a genetic engineering workstation based on artificial intelligence tacknology.

Molecular biologists at the Assoco Research Custer have been working with knowledge congineers at IntelliCorp for the past two years to apply lessifications. KEET<sup>10</sup>, an integrated package of Al tools, to problem solving in molecular biology. The seasocular biology. The dot the formation of the joint venture with IntelliCorp.

Equipped with a mouse and windows, Strategene lets acientists rapidly simulate complex clouing experiments in a graphical environment. The accessibility of DNA information and the ease and accuracy of simulations make it possible for acientists experiment with a much larger number of vectors than they would ordinarily use.

Strategene uses Al techniques to organize knowledge about DNA molecules. This knowledge encompasses both descriptive information and rules for reasoning about cloning experiments. The system contains a reference library of vectors and allows sesses them to enter and retrieve information from individual and laboratory libraries of constructions.

Strategine is designed to operate in conjunction with latelliGenetics' package of analysis ontware. The system currently runs on a Xerox

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GET YOUR UPDATED INTRODUCTION TO BIONET FREE WITH YOUR SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL. ACT NOW!

### PC/GENE

### A Personal Computer Genetic Engineering Environment

PAC GENE is a comprehensive package of molesclar biology software for microcomputers. It contains almost fifty different programs for analyzing peptides and nucleic acids.

You can use PCGENE as the perfect companion to BIONET, or you can run it independently. Data can be transferred efficiently through a modern commercion. This allows you to perform large database seraches and sequence comparisons on BIONET. At the same time you can take advantage of PC convenience and graphics capabilities to run a host of different analyses to your own laboratory.

Thus, BIONET subscribers can still get the speed and memory of a large computer when they need it.

PCGENE microcomputer authorize comes with the same high level of support you have come to expect from intelliGenetics. Our scientific account suprescolatives will offer the same degree of personal service for this new software package.

PCGENE allows biologists with little computer experience to use the programs productively in a matter of minutes. The system presents a series of choices of analyses that are expressed in terms that biologists use. It is necessary only to click the mature or press a single key to choose a sequence to analyse, to define parameters, or to display the results in a variety of ways.

### ALL UNINET DIAL-UP PHONE NUMBERS CHANGING IN SEPTEMBER

Uninct is being absorbed into GTE Telenet to form US Sprint Telenet. This means that the phone numbers to access the BIONET contral resource will change.

Additionally, we regret that there will be a light change in the procedure used once you dial up. This change will occur in September. Each PI will receive a special mailing in August with all the details. Information will also be available on BIONET vis the sign-on bunner.

As a positive benefit of this combined network, US Sprint Telemet will have access numbers in over 50 new local dialing areas. A database of access numbers is available on Telemet to all users.

We are working to arrange a two week overlap when both the old and the new access methods will work. The Unine dialups will be in service for 6 weeks following the change, but BIONET will not be accessible through them. Please consider this if you will be out of touch with BIONET this if you will be out of touch with BIONET access via the old UNINET dial-ups will produce an error message.

We will try to make the transition as smooth as possible. In the event of any problems reaching BIONET electronically, you can telephone the consultant at 415 324-GENE for assistance.

### Some of the analyses that PC/GENE performs on peptides are:

- . Computing best oligonucleotide probe
- Predicting entigenic determinants
- Searching for peptide subsequences
- Comparing sequences using the Needleman Wanach algorithm
- Aligning two sequences
- Determining secondary structure using the Chou and Fassman or the Garnier method
- Predicting membrane associated alpha helices
- Plotting local concentrations of amino
   price
- Calculating statistics of usage of di and tripeptides
- · Plotting a protein's hydropathic index

### Some of the analyses that PC/GENE performs on nucleic acids are:

- · Displaying tRNA in a clover leaf configuration
- Translating sequences
- Translating introns and exons using EMBL database annotations
- · Searching for subsequences in nucleic acids
- Searching for coding regions using both Fickett's and Shepherd's methods
- Finding restriction sites, aftering restriction enzymes lists, digesting sequences
- Creating a restriction site with a single mutation
- Comparing sequences with the Pastell dot matrix method
- · Searching for hairpin loops
- Analyzing sucleic acid sequence statistics: endon usage, local base concentrations, euriched annuences

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IntelliGenetics, Inc. is located at 1975 El Camino Real West, Mountain View, CA 94040. Phone 415 965-5575

### ELECTRONIC BULLETIN BOARDS

**COME ALIVE!** 

by Nancy Bigham

One of the three major goals of the BIONET Resource is to promote collaboration and supid sharing of information among a national community of scientists. The BIONET bulletin boards (bloom) must this goal by providing a facility whereby BIONET tuers can exchange data, laboratory mechanges and

#### Prominent members of the BIONET community have been existed to be bulletin board haders. They will provide the bulletin boards with the most

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bulletin boards with the most recent and pertinent information. Under this new With the participation of the community and the work of the bloard leaders, the bloards contain more exciting and pertinent information than ever before. Please take time to view the bloards in your field of interest and to contribute information to any of the

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ideas with others to similar fields.

During the

past 6 months, the BIONET Resource has been executating on updating and improving the bulletin loards. Gene-Expression
Genomic-Organization
Libraries
Molecular-Evolution
PC-Software
Plant-Molecular-Biology
Politics
RNA-Folding

Steve Harris Larry Kedes Dan Davison Doug Brutlag Rouald Sederoff Michelle Cimbala Michael Zuker

William Sofer

There are now 29 balletin baards - constaining articles ranging from reviews of pccommunications software to an article about Fast Fourier Transforms and related algorithms for sequence analysis (MOLECULAR-

leadership, a dynamic bulletin board community is being developed by encouraging a lively interchange of information, maintaining a vital resource of community news, and archiving outdated bulletins.

### VECTORBANK UPDATED By Ellen Hartzler

VectorBank is IntelliGenetics' collection of maps of common vectors designed for use in the CLONER program.

It is easier to use bacause we have added two new files. VECTORBANKLST is a list of all vectors available in VectorBank, and VECTORBANKTXT is a description of aome important features of VectorBank. As in previous releases of VectorBank, we have provided multiple maps for each vector. The following list of maps for PBR322 illustrates the file naming convention.

#### File name

### Map Description:

PBR322\_6CUT.MAP PBR322\_COH.MAP PBR322\_COM.MAP PBR322\_FLUSH.MAP PBR322\_UNQ.MAP All six-cutter sites.
All cohesive cutter sites.
All prototype sites.
All flush cutter sites.
All unique cutter sites.

Please note that we have replaced the hyphen in the all names with an underscore, i.e., PBR322-6CUT.MAP is now PBR322-6CUT.MAP.

To obtain a vactor map for use in CLONER, follow these procedures:

- Find the vector you want by looking at VECTORBANKLST. This is a listing of all the vectors in VectorBank.
- Enter the CLONER program and LOAD your vector from VectorBank.

If you are unfamiliar with the CLONER program, work through the tutorial on CLONER in your BIONET training teanual.

### NEW TRANSLATION TABLES IN SEQ

by Terry Friedemann

A new addition to SEQ provides two different ways to after the codon tables used in SEQ for translating a DNA sequence.

 You can directly edit the codon table that contains the standard genetic code with your particular codon changes and save those changes.

 Or, if you use the translation tables supplied by the program,you can translate sequences using a different genetic code without having to do not editing.

To see examples for yeast suitochondris codon changes with both the new editable codon table option and one of the new translation options, log on and send your request to BIONET using Electronic Mail.



### **EVOLUTIONARY ORIGIN OF** HEPATITIS B **VIRUS AND** RETROVIRUSES

by MaryJo Lawler

Dr. William Robinson, a Professor at Stanford University and one of the first researchers to join BIONET, and Roger Miller, a mostdoctoral fellow, have used BIONET to their measurch on the molecular structure of Hepatitis B virus.

Initially, Dr. Robinson and Dr. Miller chose to study the moondary structure of the erisin of replication of known hapados viruses. In examining stable palindromes near the origin of suplication, they discovered by computer manipulation that the regions flanking these palindromes were highly

In an effort to substantiate these findings, they performed several global searches through the Genbank and EMBL databases and found that not only were these regions conserved across hepedas viruses, but they were also present in type C retroviruses. As a result of further analyses in the lab, they gathered additional evidence which led them to suggest that HBV and maroviruses have a common

diodary origin.

The authors have state that without the use of computer analysis software and access to a complete and un to date database, the question of the genetic iodocia of the hepadoa virus and retrovirus families would not have been raised.

The investigators retrieved the hepadas virus sequences from the Genbank database using the QUEST program. They performed the initial DNA homology and palindrome analyses with the SEARCH function of the SEQ program, and employed other SEQ commands to examine base-composition and to translate sequences.

Drs. Robinson and Miller discovered that the regions were conserved in 27 viral

DNA sequences by searching over the Genbank and EMBL detabases using the IFIND program. Additional searching using IFIND and the SEARCH functionality of PEP demonstrated a high degree of homology between the HBV core protein and the retroviral P30 gag sucleocapsid protein. The investigators also used the PEP program for open seeding frame analysis, hydropathicity plots and condary structure prediction

Dr. Miller made extensive use of the electronic mail and bulletin board facilities on BIONET to trade unpublished henadas virus sequences with several other labs on the System.

### COMPUTERS HELP ANALYZE SHOPE FIBROMA GENE by Marylo Lawler

Grant McFadden and Chris Upton, working at the University of Alberta. have need the BIONET Resource extensively for their work on the molecular organization of the Shope fibroms gene. They have submitted for publication a paper entitled "DNA Sequence Homology between the Terminal Inverted Repeats of Shope Fibroma Virus and an Endogenous Cellular Plasmid Seeries "

In their paper, Dr. McFadden and Dr. Linton discuss three research findings and suggest how they correlate: the presence of an extrachromosomal autonomous DNA species, its hybridization to Shope fibroma virus (SFV), and the exchange of genetic information between host cells and cytoplasmically suplicating poxviruses. The investigators used BIONET exclusively for their computer analysis.

They used the GEL program extensively for sequence entry and assembly. Once supplied with the sequence, Dr. Upton used the SEO program to study the inverted repeat regions of the SFV DNA and to analyze the cytoplasmic DNA molecules through restriction enzyme, have composition, open seeding frame, and translation malyses.

The investigators homology comparisons were done using the SEARCH function of the SEQ program. Additional homology searches using IFIND over the Genbank and EMBL databases showed no additional homologous enquences to the inverted repeat region of SFV, but pevealed similarity between continued on page 6

### PEP'S DIGEST OPTION

DIGEST is a major new addition to the protein analysis functions in PEP which is designed to help you study proteins by rapidly simulating the action of a peptide digestion with proteases or by chemicals.

The program provides a list of commonly and not so monly used protesses and cleavage chemicals. You can add to this list, or you can create an entirely different list. When you add a new protease, DIGEST allows you to place the cleavage site before or after the recognition site. DIGEST also accommodates proteases that cleave at more than one site.

Once you are satisfied with the list of protesses, you can ren DIGEST, choosing one or more protesses from the list. The resulting digestion simulation shows the location, length, and molecular weights of the fragments.

There are several additional options open to you. You can ank to see a map of the cleavage sites or see agains acid composition data for the fragments. You can treat any of the fragments as if they were independent peptides and then enalyze them with any of the PEP functions. You can also sak DIGEST to simulate a peptide fingerprint by asking the progress to draw a plot of the smolecular weight of the fragments versus their isoelectric points.

As in all intelliGenetics programs, you can ask for online help. Before you begin the option, we recommend that you read the introduction after the DIGEST: prompt.

### SIMPLE SEARCHES

by Doug Briting and Alan Engelberg

The computer operating systems from which you use limitificenties programs growide several acois on the DEC 2060 for rapidly smartching unformated detabases and text files such as sequence data files.

On the DEC 2060 the funest and simplest tool is the FIND program which is good for looking for one or a few patterns in a single file. The FIND program has the SCOPE concept from QUEST in that it allows you to look for a pattern in a line, a paragraph, or a page. It provides a limited amount of embiguity but only allows you to examine a single file at a time. Using FIND is analogous to looking in a phone book for a person's

The simplest and most common application of FIND is to type FIND WITHIN cline>cpattern> IN cfilename>, (see casesple below) leaving out all the other qualifiers.

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### **Predicting Experimental Results**

When you perform a restriction digestion of a newly cloned sequence and electrophorese the resulting fragments, CLONER can save a great deal of time by quickly and accurately predicting the possible digestion patterns. In the following brief example we show how you can determine the orientation of your clone. If your vector contains more than one potential insertion site, you can use the same procedure to determine into which site you've cloned the insert.

CLONER: had phy322erm.mm. We will insert our

fragment into pBR322

Reading file PBR322\_COM.MAP ...

1. PBR322-COM (4363 N) C; DEFINITION PLASMID PBR322
(ECCLI CLONING VECTOR)

CLONER: MY

NEW allows us to enter the restriction information about the busin. If we had sequence information, we could create a restriction map in SEQ and then load that map into CLONER. Name for new map: <u>PtnpZ</u>.

Length of new map: 1480

Topology: linear

Enter as many new lines of comments as desired; End with an extra <CR>

: Centains Gene7.

:**4CR**>

Please enter each site name followed by its location.

Finish with a blank entry.

Site name and cut position(s): pati 1 1480
Site name and cut position(s): hambi 245 750

Site name and cut position(s): acori 1200

Site name and cut position(s): <CR>

ProgZ is map number 2.

Loading editor help text...

MapEdit: region

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#### ●FIND WITHIN line actin, myosin IN nih.lst«CR»

FIND shows each line where a hit occurs

ACAACTI ;AMOEBA (A. CASTELLANII) ACTIN GENE-I.

BOVACTI BOVINE ACTIN MRNA, 5 END.

BOVACT2 BOVINE ACTIN MRNA, 3' END.
BOVPRL BOVINE prolactin (prl) mRNA.

Since FIND simply searching for a sequence of characters, it will report

hits when that sequence appears in a larger sequence, i.e., it finds a hit on actin in the word prolactin.

BOVPRLP1 BOVINE PROLACTIN, 5 FLANK AND EXON 1.

BOVPRLP2 BOVINE PROLACTIN, 5 FLANK AND PARTIAL EXON 2.

CELACTI (CAENORHABDITIS ELEGANS (NEMATODE) ACTIN I GENE 5' END.
CELACTII (CAENORHABDITIS ELEGANS (NEMATODE) ACTIN II GENE 5' END.

CELACTII (CAENORHABDITIS ELEGANS (NEMATODE) ACTIN III GENE 5' END.

CELACTIII (CAENORHABDITIS ELEGANS (NEMATODE) ACTIN III GENE 5' END.

CELACTIVI CAENORHABDITIS ELEGANS (NEMATODE) ACTIN IN GENE 5 END(SEG 1).

CELACITY CAENORHABDITIS ELEGANS (NEMATODE) ACTIN IV GENE 5 END(SEG 2).

CELMYH CELEGANS MAJOR MYOSIN HEAVY CHAIN (UNC-54 I) GENE, 3' END.

Here FIND reports a hit on the second pattern, myosin

CELMYUNC CELEGANS MAJOR MYOSIN HEAVY CHAIN ISOZYME UNC-54 I GENE

If you ware to see the name of the file where the sequence is located, you simply leave out "within line" in the FIND command line. The default scope is peragraph and that makes it possible to see the file name.

#### Offerd actin, styrosin in nih ist

\*ACA.NIH

> ACAACTI ;AMOEBA (A. CASTELLANII) ACTIN GENE-I.

\* ACARRSBS ;A.CASTELLANII (AMOEBA) 5.85 RIBOSOMAL RNA.

#### \*BOV.NIH

> BOVACT1 BOVINE ACTIN MRNA, 5' END.

\* BOVACT2 BOVINE ACTIN MRNA, 3' END.

The pointer ">" indicates the line with the matching string of letters

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Name for new region: Gene? Region boundaries: 140 1320 Fill character: («CR»»-) «CR» Polarity (<, | or >): (<CR>=|) ≥ Region GeneZ is now on level 1 MapEdit: auit CLONER. List

1. PBR322-COM (4363 N) C; DEFINITION PLASMID PBR322 (E.COLI CLONING VECTOR)

2. PragZ (1480 N) L; Contains GeneZ CLONER: insert 2 1 pats We simulate the insertion of FragZ into pBR.

Name for new map: (<CR>=PBR322-COM-FragZ) Retain comments from PBR322-COM? (Y, N, D, ?, or ") (<CR>-Y) go Retain comments from ProgZ? (Y, N, D, ?, or ^) («CR»=Y) «CR» Enter as many new lines of comments as desired; End with m extra «CR»

This man is ProgZ inserted into pRR at the netl site. zCR≥

PBR322-COM-ProgZ is map sumber 3.

CLONER: Mil 2 MapEdit: flip

Flipping the map of the insert will allow us to rulate a fragmant insurted with the reverse ariantation

Area to invest: all MapEdit: guit

CLONER: insert 2 1 psti We repeat the same insertion but in

this map the orientation of the inner! is reversed.

Name for new map: («CR»»PBR322-COM-FragZ) abrZ-flinned Retain comments from PBR322-COM? (Y, N, D, ?, or ^) (<CR>=Y) no Retain comments from FragZ? (Y, N, D, 7, or ^) (cCR>=Y) no Enter as many new lines of comments as desired; End with an extra cCR>

FragZ inserted in pBR in the opposite direction to man PBR322-COM-FRAGZ.

:≰CR≥

pbrZ-flipped is map number 4.

To determine the orientation of the insert, we simulate a digestion with the enzyme chosen to enalyze the clones and see which digestion matches the experimental results. We could have run simulated digestions with a number of enzymes to see which would give us the most distinct results.

### CLONER: direct 3 hambi

Enzyme	Site	Length	Enzyme	Site
BamHI	(376)	3482	BamHi	(3858)
BemHI	(4363)	1856	BemH!	(376)
Ben Li	(3252)	€0K	Bem U)	/4363

### CLONER: digest 4 hambi

Paryme	Zite	Length	Entyme	ite
BamHi	(376)	3968	BemHI	(4344)
BemH1	(4849)	1370	BamHi	(376)
BemH	(4344)		BemHi	(4849)

After we have electrophoresed the restriction digest fragments we need only compare the gel pattern to the two sats of patterns above to determine the orientation of the insert.

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the extracellular DNA and a family of cellular protease fahibitors.

In addition to having access to analytical programs, Dr. Upton is pleased with the opportunity to use electronic mail to micate with other acientists. Like many other BIONET scientists, Dr. Upton had little computer experience prior to BIONET. He has nince become very active in the bulletin board mmunities. Dr. Upton has maded codon usage tables with several other BIONET scientists and has become one of the community's MacIntosh authorities. He is currently working with an investigator in New York, whom he met through interactions on BIONET, and they are setting up what they call a "personal metwork" for their collective analysis needs. He foresees using BIONET even more extensively than in the past, especially because the McFadden lab has sequenced 15 to 20KB since he began work in the group.

#### DID YOU KNOW

When you are editing a meld, you can save your edits in three different ways. ."SAVE gels" is the program default. Editing changes you have made are retained for the current session only and have not been written in the .pro file. If you lose your job either because the computer crashes or because there are telecommunications problems, then you will lose those adits.

."SAVE files" saves them permanently. These edits cannot be lost.

"Set autosave on" will assomatically save your editing changes in the .pro file if you type "Set autosave es" after the "Medit" prompt. after the "Medit." prompt.

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(type FINDocro to see a
description of these
qualifers). For example,
NIHLST is a Genbank file that
sontains a one line eatry for
sech Genbank sequence. On
this line appears the sequence
name and the first line of
somments. If you were
searching for a word or two
that you expected to appear in
the definition line, you would
search the file NIHLST as

shown on page 4. FIND our also determine

"DONE... coations to start over

whether VactorBank contains a particular vactor. You can search the file vactorbank.lst, a list of all the vactorbank samps. To see if pUC is present, type FIND WITHIN like puc IN vactorbank.lst. puc IN vactorbank.lst. puc IN vactorbank.lst. puc IN vactorbank.lst.

Many people are using QUEST to search for simple teambiguous keys in sequences or in comments. A much faster and simpler program called XSEARCH (see example below) will allow you to search databases for keys with no ambiguous letters.

To run the program, type

XSEARCH after the "©"
prompt. XSEARCH is not as
son-venions as QUEST in that
you cannot COLLECT hits nor
can you control the output.
However, it searches databases
10 so 50 times faster than
QUEST and is useful for an
fastial acreen if you don't
used ambiguous bases. Once
XSEARCH has reported the
sames of the files that contain
exact hits you can use QUEST
to search just these files and
then COLLECT or print out the

SEARCHES com. page &

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EXSEARCH
SUBSTRUNG search routine (compiled 11-Jul-80) ? for help
Files to search: @nil-primate fiscCR>
Piles to search: (conti
                  wed) : <u>4082</u>2
Target 1) myosinsCR>
Target 2) actineCR>
                        You can search for more than one pattern.
Turget 3) sCR2
Equivalences: 1// 4CR>
current expression: 1 V 2
                          Y a or, i.e., 1 or 2 is noted as a bit.
Expression:
Create PL files? NO//cCR>
Output goes to: * TTY: # CR>
                               This sends the output to your terminal.
Type DEL or RUBOUT to abort any particular file search.
Searthing <SEQUENCES>APE.NIH.8510
Searching <SEQUENCES-GCR.NIH.8510
Searching <SEQUENCES>HUM.NIH.8510
Searching <SEQUENCES>HUMA.NIH.8510
Searching <SEQUENCES>HUMA1.NIH.8510
Searchine <SEOUENCES>HUMAC.NIH.8510
When XSEARCH finds a match it displays the file in which the match is
located and the line in which the hit occurs
(<SEQUENCES>HUMAC.NIH.8510 1.1) {actin}
DEFINITION HUMAN BETA-ACTIN RELATED PSEUDOGENE H-BETA-AC-PSI-1 SEND.
(<SEQUENCES>HUMAC.NIH.8510 1.4) {actin}
KEYWORDS ACTIN, PROCESSED GENE.
(<SEQUENCES>HUMAC.NIH.8510 1.12) {min}
; TITLE STRUCTURE OF TWO HUMAN BETA-ACTIN-RELATED PROCESSED GENES ONE
(«SEQUENCES»HUMAC.NIH.8510 1.19) {actin}
                                 HOMOLOGOUS TO ACTIN READING FRAME
                    420 1540
(<SEQUENCES>HUMAC.NIH.8510 2.1) {actin}
: DEFINITION HUMAN BETA-ACTIN RELATED PSEUDOGENE H-BETA-AC-PSI-1 3END.
(«SEQUENCES»HUMAC.NIH.8510 2.4) (actin)
KEYWORDS ACTIN, PROCESSED GENE.
Searching <SEQUENCES>HUMMY
Searching <SEQUENCES>HUMTB.NIH.8510
Searching <SEQUENCES>HUMTR.NIH.8510
(«SEQUENCES» HUMTR NIH. 8510 1.1) (myosin) Here is a hit with another target pattern.
; DEFINITION HUMAN NON-MUSCLE (FIBROBLAST) TROPOMYOSIN GENE.
       Lines recognized = 190
 String Matches Unrecognized Matches
             3
205
1) "myosin"
                        0
2) "actin"
Letter case ignored ("Ab" = "aB").
Files with no matches: «SEQUENCES»APE.NIH.8510, «SEQUENCES»GCR.NIH.8510, ... «S
BOUENCES>MNKR.NDH.$510.
68 files searched, 63 without matches.
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### FINDING NEAR-RECOGNITION SITES WITH QUEST by Jaya Carl

QUEST's flexibility makes it possible to search for a great variety of patterns in asquences. For example, QUEST can be and to design a key to locate anquences of bases that are one base away from being a restriction enzyme site and that, if changed, would not alter the translation of the sequence. The purpose of this search is to locate a place to introduce a new recognition site to easily identify positive closes.

In the keys described below we have developed patterns that search for a set of sear-EcoRI sites, but the same procedure can be used to find any mag-rustriction site that does not after the

Since we don't want to after the translation we must determine the frame in which we are making the change. Thus the first part of the key is: ATTU)G & (...)(1,)

This key represents the MET start codon immediately followed by one or more triplets.

he order not to alter the trunclation of the sequence when we after the single best that introduces the recognition site, we small take advantage of the degeneracy of the genetic code. The successition site for EcoRI is GAATIC. We can make a change in the third base of a codon. The reading frame determines which base is the degenerate one. The first key is: ATG & (...){1,} & GAGTTC.

In this key, the reading frame is such that the first G is the first base of a codon. The third base was changed from A to G because both of these codons code for Glu-

The next key is:

ATG & (...){1,} & GAATIT.

In this key the reading frame is the same as the one above except that we are making a change in the second codon, changing the codon from TTC to TTT, since both code for Phe.

However, there is no reason to assume this particular steading frame with regard to the recognition site. Instead of there being an even set of triplets between the start codon and the recognition site, there could be one or two additional ses. For one additional base the key is: ATG & (...){1,} & (.) & GAATCC.

In this case the reading frame is shifted by one, so we want to look for gaATCs instead of gaATTs, since both ATC and ATT code for lie.

The final key is:

ATG & (...){1,} & (..) & GAACTC.

This key assumes the frame shift is 2.

For an example of the way to use this key, simply log on and and send your request to BIONET, using the Electronic Mail. IntelliGenetics also maintains a database of key patterns that you can use in QUEST to help identify various structural and consensus regions in nucleic acid and protein sequences.

The files are located in the <IG> directory. We have collected the following files. If you have written a useful key, we would be delighted to include it in the KeyBank Morary.

> AA KEY Identifies codons for entigenic sites. **AACOMPJKEY AMINOJKEY** GENE KEY KEY! KEY KEY2 KEY KEY3.KEY KEY4JKEY NAD.KEY **CONCID KEY PROMOTER KEY** REST KEY **SIGNAL KEY** ZDNA KEY

Mentifies codons of complementary strend for antigenic sites Equates one-letter amino acid code with three-letter code.

Identifies open reading frames.

Shows keys from Quest Help Topic KEY1-EXAMPLE. Shows keys from Quest Help Topic KEY2-EXAMPLE.

Shows keys from Quest Help Topic KEY3-EXAMPLE. Shows keys from Quest Help Topic KEY4-EXAMPLE.

Identifies dinucleotide-binding region for peptides.

Identifies potential DNA encoding endogenous opioid activity.

Shows suggested consensus sequences for procuryotic promoters. Montifies prototype restriction enzyme recognition asquences.

Identifies consensus for leader pepude cleavage site. Shows potential Z-DNA purine-pyrimidine pattern.

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CONTEXT around the hits XSEARCH first prompts you for "Files to Search" and you may respond with filenames containing wildcards or indirect filenames (HUM\*.\* or **ONTH-PRIMATES.FLS**). Then it prompts you for "Targets" which are just character strings to search for. If you specify more than one target XSEARCH then prompts you for a Boolean relationship ween the targets and the default is to search for target 1 OR target 2 OR target 3 OR ..

MSEARCH mext asks you for equivalences and the default (obtained by hitting carriage return) is to equale upper and lower case letters. If you wish to have XSEARCH search through sequence information mither than comments then you should type the letter A (with NO carriage return!) at the "Equivalences:" prompt, and when it asks you for an "ennivalence file," type SECUENCE XSE. This file not only equates upper and lower case, it equates T's and U's and causes XSEARCH so ignore carriage returns, line feeds. take and other punctuation in sequences. It is equivalent to SEQUENCE SCOPE IN QUEST. Otherwise XSEARCH works exclusively in LINE SCOPE. Try XSEARCH. Type a ? (with NO carriage return) at each prompt to find out much more shout XSEARCH's capabilities and himitations.

### XI. BULLETIN BOARD LEADER AD

HOW TO SAVE \$400 AND HELP BRING YOUR FIELD INTO THE COMPUTER AGE

The BIONET-NEWS bulletin board has messages posted which describe the variety of uses for the bulletin board system and file transfer facilities. These uses range from having a continuous on-line scientific meeting in your research area to sending manuscripts to colleagues in distant labs. The list could undoubtedly be extended by creative people. (See also HELP MEETINGS.)

To encourage expanded use of the communications facilities, particularly the bulletin board network, we are offering a

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to users who are willing to organize and lead a bulletin board. Bulletin board leaders should be actively engaged in research in the selected area of interest.

Leading a bulletin board would involve contributing items of interest to the board, encouraging other people in the research field to participate (leaders should have plenty of contacts!), monitoring incoming messages, archiving dated material, and finally submitting a brief year-end report on the bulletin board activity to BIONET. Renewal of the position would be subject to a yearly review by BIONET. We estimate that the work involved would occupy only a few hours each month, but some responsibilities could be delegated to other lab members.

Prospective leaders should submit a proposal via electronic mail to BIONET. The proposal should include a description of the suggested bulletin board along with an estimate of the number and potential activity of participants. The activity estimate could be gathered by e-mail contacts prior to submitting the proposal. The final selection of bulletin board topics and leaders will be made in conjunction with BIONET and its National Advisory Committee. Please contact your BIONET consultant at 415-324-4363 if you have any questions.

A list of current bulletin board topics and names of leaders can be obtained by typing HELP BB-LIST after the prompt. Some of the current boards need leaders. However, new topics are especially encouraged.

As more molecular biologists and biochemists become computer-literate, participation in the bulletin board system should accelerate. As activity increases, the leadership positions will grow in influence. This is your opportunity to get involved with a new communications medium at its inception!

Somebody will eventually lead your research field into the computer age. Why not make it you?